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WASHINGTON (UPI) - HARVARD PRESIDENT DEREK BOK COMPLAINED TO CONGRESS TODAY THE CIA PLANS TO RECRUIT PROFESSORS AND STUDENTS FOR COVERT INTELLIGENCE GATHERING DESPITE A UNIVERSITY BAN.

BOK TOLD THE SENATE INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE HARVARD HAS DRAFTED INTERNAL RULES THAT BLOCK ITS STUDENTS, FACULTY AND ADMINISTRATORS FROM EITHER RECRUITING CANDIDATES FOR THE CIA OR ENGAGING IN OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR IT.

BUT CIA OFFICIALS "MAKE IT CLEAR THAT THE CIA PLANS TO IGNORE THESE TWO CENTRAL ELEMENTS OF OUR GUIDELINES," HE SAID.

IN A MAY 15 LETTER TO BOK, CIA DIRECTOR STANFIELD TURNER SAID THE AGENCY WILL NOT BE BOUND BY RULES THAT UNFAIRLY SINGLE IT OUT AS THE SUBJECT OF SPECIAL RESTRICTIONS AND UNJUSTIFIABLY INTERFERE WITH THE FREEDOM OF INDIVIDUAL PROFESSORS AND EMPLOYEES TO OFFER THEIR SERVICES.

TURNER ALSO SAID THEY IMPAIR THE CIA'S ABILITY TO "AVAIL ITSELF OF A WILLING, VALUABLE RESOURCE TO ASSIST THE GOVERNMENT IN THE PERFORMANCE OF LEGITIMATE ENDEAVORS IN FURTHERANCE OF THE NATION'S FOREIGN POLICY OBJECTIVES."

BOK CALLED ON CONGRESS TO "MAKE IT CLEAR THAT THESE ACTIVITIES CANNOT CONTINUE" AND THAT THE CIA SHOULD HONOR THE INTERNAL RULES OF THE UNIVERSITY.

HE SAID IF SUCH AN "EXTRAORDINARY STEP" AS INTERFERING WITH A UNIVERSITY'S RULES AND EMPLOYEE RELATIONS IS TO BE TAKEN, CONGRESS, NOT THE CIA, SHOULD MAKE THAT DECISION.

"IF CONGRESS FINDS... THAT THE NATIONAL SECURITY REQUIRES ITS AGENCIES TO ACT IN DISREGARD OF OUR RULES, WE MUST, OF COURSE, SUBMIT TO SUCH A JUDGMENT," BOK SAID.

COVERT RECRUITING INVOLVES THE CIA'S SECRET USE OF FACULTY, ADMINISTRATORS AND POSSIBLY STUDENTS TO SPOT INDIVIDUALS - USUALLY FOREIGN NATIONALS STUDYING AT THE UNIVERSITY - WHO WOULD BE POTENTIAL CANDIDATES FOR CIA SERVICE.

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